

SHIPS Enough on Hand, But United Fruit Bars Use of Its Fleet for America's War Needs

By JOHN MELDON

We're at war—BUT...

The United Fruit Company—operator of one of the biggest ship fleets in the world—seems to pursue a charmed existence in being permitted to use its ships for "business as usual" trade.

The United Fruit Company operates some 50 fast merchant ships, principally for shipment of bananas from the so-called "banana republics" of

Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Panama and Colombia.

At one of the most critical moments in world's history—a moment when every available cargo space is desperately needed for transporting war materials and troops to the world-wide battle lines against Hitlerism—the United Fruit continues to

It is these 50 odd ships—and other vessels still tied up in non-essential commercial shipments—which constitute the fleet that would give us enough ships to send an army overseas to open a Second Front.

Officials of this giant fruit monopoly are apparently unperturbed over the fact that they occupy a celestial-like and hitherto untouchable place in our nation's war effort.

And they let the heads of the U.S. State Department do any "explaining" that needs to be done.

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Supreme Moment at Hand, Open 2nd Front, Seamen Urge FDR

RED ARMY CLOSING IN ON KHARKOV

From the four corners of America, from Central and South America and from our British allies literally hundreds of telegrams, cables and letters poured into New York yesterday expressing joy and gratitude for the freeing of Earl Browder, and expressions of belief that his freedom will result in welding the greatest unity behind America's war effort. On this page and on page five the Daily Worker publishes a few of the most representative of these messages.

Scores of Telegrams Hail Browder Release

Seamen Wire FDR: People Salute You

The reaction of the national officers of the National Maritime Union and employees of the union's New York offices to the freeing of Earl Browder was typical of the reception given the news by scores of unions. On page five we publish the individual greetings of many other unions.

Furthers National Unity...Dreiser

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—Theodore Dreiser, the great novelist and today that the freeing of Browder would give the greatest impulse to national unity for, "with a united nation the victory over Hitlerism is certain."

Dreiser wired:

"The President is to be congratulated on having released Mr. Browder who obviously had been given an excessively severe sentence for a purely technical violation of the passport law.

"Now that Mr. Browder is free he will doubtless use his every effort to mobilize large sections of the people behind the President's war efforts. With a united nation the victory over Hitlerism is certain."

Aids Fight Against Axis, Says Toledano

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, May 18.—Browder's liberty is an important contribution to the popular struggle against the Axis powers and will make national unity in the United States more powerful and more active, Lombardo Toledano, outstanding Mexican and Latin American trade union leader, declared today to the Daily Worker.

The first brief news reaching here spread like wildfire by telephone causing jubilation wherever it was heard.

In the offices of the Communist Party wild excitement developed, shouting, people stopped work, shouted, danced, embraced each other.

TOLEDANO WIRES

"I send most heartfelt greetings and congratulations to Earl Browder, the Communist Party of the United States, and to the people of the United States," Lombardo Toledano declared when reached at home by phone.

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Supreme Moment to Attack, Say CIO Seamen

(The text of the National Maritime Union's letter appears on page 4.)

"A second front on the continent of Europe, looking Hitler in the jaws of a two-front war—this is the path to victory."

The NMU members voted to send delegations of union seamen to other trade unions, urging them to make similar appeals for the opening of a new European front to defeat Hitler in Europe.

Meanwhile, the seamen voted to mail hundreds of copies to unions throughout the country.

Some 3,000 seamen at a National Maritime Union membership meeting recently at Manhattan Center adopted this ringing call in an appeal to President Roosevelt, the union announced yesterday.

Declaring that the "supreme moment of the war is at hand" the seamen told the American Commander-in-Chief that "our sweat, our lives, our sacrifice and very future are bound up with the immediate opening of a Second Front."

The seamen pointed out that a second front "would unite and inspire our nation, would raise production and the war effort to unreached heights."

Paying tribute to the history-making fighting qualities of the Red Army, the seamen in their letter to President Roosevelt said that only one obstacle stands, at the moment, between Fascism's hordes and civilization.

"Only one barrier stands between us and such a dire possibility. This barrier is the valiant Red Army and the Russian people. They are fighting our fight. We must uphold them."

The NMU members wind up their appeal by quoting Tom Paine, great American, who warned in 1776:

"Tis not in the power of Europe to conquer America if she o'er conquer herself by delay and timidity."

War Production Chief Donald Nelson has told the country that our factories are already producing the armament necessary

EXTRA AEF with Tanks Lands in Ireland

WITH THE AEF IN NORTHERN IRELAND, Tuesday, May 19 (UP).—Thousands upon thousands of United States troops, equipped with tanks, heavy guns, gun carriers, trucks and "jeeps," have landed at a North Irish port from the largest convoy of the war and already have started their invasion training, it was disclosed today.

The new contingent, including men from the Dakotas, New York and raw-boned mountaineers from Kentucky, was the third to arrive in North Ireland since United States entry into the war and was by far the largest thus far.

There were so many troops and so much equipment it took days to get them ashore and off to camps into the Ulster hinterlands for training in invasion tactics.

The landing was the first visible result of the promise by Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. Army Chief of Staff, during a recent visit to Britain that a steady flow of men and supplies would be sent across the ocean to insure "an early victory." It also lent emphasis to Marshall's

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Wipe Out Hundreds Of Nazi Chutists

MOSCOW, May 18 (UP).—Red Army forces are closing a giant nutcracker on Kharkov after wiping out German parachutists dropped wholesale behind their lines and repelling massed enemy tanks hauling infantry-laden trailers, front dispatches said tonight.

As Marshal Semyon Timoshenko's offensive rounded out its first week, his army was reported pressing in on Kharkov along a 100-mile arc, surging ahead through scattered fields and burning villages, while German defense forces frantically strengthened by the arrival of air and mechanized reserves.

Red Army dispatches conceded a stiffening of German resistance, which appeared to have slowed down the Soviet drive, but said the Soviets still held the initiative everywhere down to the smallest individual sector.

"Every hour fresh reports are coming in from the Kharkov front of more and more legacies captured," the Soviet Radio said. "The Germans are sustaining enormous losses."

DOOM NAZI CHUTISTS

For the first time the use of German parachutists—suicide squadrons whose doom was sealed before they left their planes—was revealed by the newspaper Pravda, which said a number of units ranging around 120 each had floated down on the Kharkov front.

Many of the paratroops never even hit the ground alive as the Red Army riflemen opened up on them, and those who did were mopped up in short order, Pravda said.

Reports that the Red Army had reached the heart of the German fortifications around Kharkov, a vast network of anti-tank trenches, mine fields, machine gun posts and other strong points, were interpreted by informed sources to mean that the Soviet vanguard was within about 10 miles of the center of the city.

Every soldier in battle today will serve ten later on.

Our Government leaders should speak out as Sir Stafford Cripps has done.

The hour for attack is at hand.

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It Is Our Fate, Too!

An Editorial

for action this year, not later.

On the other side—

Soviet Marshal Timoshenko is smashing forward against our Nazi enemy, wrecking the Axis scheme for a Spring offensive. Our Soviet ally is putting Hitler into position for a knockout this summer.

The British Government, he said, "is as keen and anxious" as the people to open a Second Front against Hitler in Europe.

The time has indeed come.

Just the mere talk of a Second Front has already sent a cold shiver through the Axis.

Yesterday, Mussolini called his fascist chiefs together "because Italian and German news organs have talked an Anglo-American offensive."

Beverbrook cried out "Attack now!"

Churchill welcomed the people's demand for the Second Front; he said Britain was fully armed, that the RAF could beat the Nazis in the air.

Now is the hour to strike. Every day that passes places us in greater peril; it robs our armies and our munitions of their maximum power.

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AFL to Get Citrine's Plan Tomorrow

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Sir

Walter Citrine, British labor leader, will present his plan for an alliance between the labor movements of England, the Soviet Union and the United States to the Executive Council of the AFL on Wednesday.

AFL President Green made this announcement at a press conference this evening. Green said that Citrine has been ill for several days, and although now in Washington, is not expected to be in shape to present his plan until Wednesday.

Citrine is feared, he said, that unless Congress acts to help preserve the framework of private business and industry in the nation, the government itself may be the only business left operating when the war ends.

Citrine's plan for an alliance between the labor movements of England, the Soviet Union and the United States to the Executive Council of the AFL on Wednesday.

Green reported to the Executive Council on the successful fight against repressive anti-labor legislation.

Senator Johnson of Colorado per-

mitted a number of his speeches to be used by the Viereck propaganda machine.

It was revealed at the Viereck

Steel Leaders Ask Immediate Offensive

By George Morris

(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 18.—Officers of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, reporting to the union's constitutional convention which opens here tomorrow, urged the 1,700 delegates from locals of 903 steel plants, "not to let anything interfere with the defeat of the Axis powers."

The officers summarize their war policy by incorporating into the report the entire statement adopted by the special CIO conference at Washington on March 23.

"Our slogan shall be: 'Work, work, work; produce, produce, produce.' The central feature of the report to this CIO union with an enrollment of 800,000 members, is on its achievements and tasks to win the war.

The printed report, signed by Philip Murray, chairman of the SWOC; David J. MacDonald, secretary-treasurer, and four regional directors, will be submitted to the convention shortly after it opens. It reviews the drive since 1936 when the great campaign to organize the steel began. Shortly afterward the

achieve victory in 1943.

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defeatists in the Senate like Senators Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, Gerald F. Nye of North Dakota and Robert R. Reynolds of North Carolina are not up for reelection this year.

RETIRE HIM THIS FALL

By retiring Brooks to private life the people of Illinois can, however, take a crack at the whole defeatist bloc in the Senate, which is solidly behind the Tribune candidate.

Two other Senators running for re-election have been too closely associated with the appeasers in the Senate to permit of any confidence in their future performance. These are Senators Arthur Capper of Kansas and Edwin C. Johnson of Colorado.

Capper, a Kansas Republican, once had pretensions to being something of a progressive. But he is now the favorite Senator of Elmer

Brooks, the Washington representative of Col. Robert McCormick, publisher of the powerful defeatist Chicago Tribune, which day and in day out snipes at the administration, at the war effort, at Great Britain and at the Soviet Union.

As such, he is one of the key defeatists whose repudiation in the November elections is essential to the war effort and to national morale.

Unfortunately most of the leading

J. Garner, editor and publisher of Capper was asked to comment on

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Correspondents Say: Axis Morale Falls Lower A Western Front Would Shatter It, Say Newspapermen

All correspondents arriving in Lisbon from Italy and Germany on their way to the United States in an exchange agreement, are unanimous in their reports of lowered civilian morale among the German and Italian masses.

While making it clear that these fascist countries are not on the verge of "internal collapse," all stories which appeared in yesterday's press indicate that a British-American Army on the Western Front could smash this morale to smithereens.

One of the bitterest complaints coming out of the fascist countries is that the ruling classes and fascist officials are waxing rich and fat at the expense of the people. The **black market** is widespread and countenanced.

Herbert L. Matthews reporting conditions in Italy said: "Bootlegging is rife to an extraordinary extent, which is an increasing source of class bitterness, for the masses see fascist officials and

other rich men buy food that they sometimes cannot get even with their ration cards."

Offering some representative prices in Italy, Matthews reported that an egg costs 18 cents; a pound of tea, \$20 to \$25; a can of peaches, \$1.80; a bottle-necked pair of shoes, \$35; a suit from \$50 to \$120.

All reporters speak of food shortages, exorbitant prices and gangsterous "black market."

Speaking of Germany Edwin A.

Shanke declared, ". . . reserves which every household stored have dwindled away. Clothes are threadbare, with no chance of replacement. Store shelves are empty. Rations are becoming summer and summer . . ."

Only Germans with "connections," he reported are capable of "squeezing extra rations out of the storekeeper and exacting special privileges. Illegal traffic in clothing and food rationing cards by petty Nazi officials at

prices as high as 100 marks per card is widespread and countenanced . . ."

Richard G. Massacci reporting on Italy said, ". . . the Italians are beginning to feel sharply the shortage of food, clothing and fuel. Another winter may begin to take a toll of deaths from cold and hunger."

Lowered morale is also due to the high percentage of dead and wounded on the Soviet front.

Edwin A. Shankle just out of

Germany stated, "Mothers, fathers and sweethearts were receiving vivid accounts of the hardships and horrors on the Russian front."

"A great number of commodities are not to be found in Germany," said **A. J. Timoshenko**, "but they show up in the black market, which thrives despite the death penalty and other drastic efforts at suppression."

"We've lost the war" is the common judgment of the people of Germany, Shankle declared.

Italian Political Chiefs Desperate Over Crisis

Return of Grandi, Mussolini's Foe, Shows Sharp Struggle for Power

By P. E. Allard
(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, May 18.—The most important fact of the week affecting Italy's internal affairs is the reappearance on the political scene of Dino Grandi, old time champion of the farmers of the Po River valley.

Speaking before the Commission of Industry and Arts, Grandi delivered an address in which he reviewed the economic position of Italy in relation to the war.

It was an address delivered to fascist plutocrats, one that normally would have been delivered by Mussolini himself. But Grandi spoke as would a government chief who, recognizing the gravity of the situation, endeavors to rally around himself differing leading groups who are disturbed, especially since "Duce" made the assertion that Italy is "on the verge of the abyss."

It may be presumed that Grandi was given the mission of soothing the Italian bourgeoisie by acting as a front for the Italian chief of state. But what then is the meaning of the unexpected return to the Italian political stage of this gentleman whom Mussolini relegated to the presidential chair of the phantom Chamber of Fasces and Corporations? Why has Italian plutocracy excommunicated Grandi's portrait from the fascist lumber gallery?

OPPOSED MUSSOLINI

Before answering this question it will be appropriate to throw some light on the personality of Grandi himself.

Grandi is the man who once hurled invective at Mussolini as "he who has betrayed and will betray again." When Grandi made this grave accusation against Mussolini he was interpreting the thoughts of the farmers and those sections of Italian big business who distrusted Mussolini, the demagogue.

Grandi was an outright opponent of the fascist pact of "pacification" with the Socialists and Catholics. He was the enemy of the disorderly expressions of the fascist movement and he opposed the continuation of the centralized fascist party dominating the state.

Grandi wanted capitalist "law and order" and voiced 100 per cent opposition to the noisy, drunken demagogues of the fascists which expressed itself in ultra-leftist phrases,

MOUTHPIECE OF BANKS

The banks, with Grandi as their mouthpiece, dictated their iron law to Mussolini and his petty bourgeois fascist movement. Faced with such a formidable rival as Grandi, Mussolini was forced to temper his demagogic phrases in order to remain the chief figure of fascism. After his notorious resignation from the executive committee of the Fascist Party, Grandi made amends and returned to the fold.

In the heart of Italian fascism Grandi has always been the consistent spokesman of the most reactionary plutocratic circles who have never tolerated the slightest illusion toward the social reform and ultra-left demagogic of certain other chiefs linked with syndicalism. Dino Grandi was the man who carried through the rapprochement with England by employing his numerous contacts with London City circles, who carried through Munich via Chamberlain.

The old mouthpiece of the Po agrarians is consequently the creature who was eclipsed by Mussolini's personal success and was for several years relegated to playing a quite subordinate role.

GRANDI TAKES REVENGE

At the time when a political crisis threatens the Mussolini regime Grandi takes his revenge. It is evident that even in high fascist circles the problem of succession to Mussolini is one that is henceforth on the order of the day. In these conditions it would not be astonishing if Grandi were working to win succession to Mussolini.

Grandi's speech to the Commission of Industry and Arts could quite well sound like a funeral oration over the "Duce," whose personality is today very much disguised in all circles of Italian society. Among decisive circles of the fascist plutocracy disquiet preponderates over confidence. Influential people fear that Mussolini, caught in a vice of Hitler, is risking everything in an attempt to save his head.

There is no doubt that the most reactionary caste of plutocrats peddled vessel landed on Bonaire, thoroughly supports Mussolini, for it six have been brought to Curacao.



Guarding Atlantic Convoy: One of the biggest ships in an Atlantic convoy (top) is seen hazing through an early morning mist as it ploughed toward one of our far-flung battle zones carrying the sinews of war. Keeping watch over the ship is a Navy blimp. Two fire control men are shown at their post aboard an escorting warship (bottom).

Chinese Shatter Tokio Column Near Yunnan

CHUNGKING, May 18 (UPI)—

Chinese troops have completely destroyed a Japanese mobile column north of the Burma Road some 40 miles inside Yunnan Province, and are battling other invading columns to a standstill, both on the road and in the Mekong River jungles at the border of Burma and French Indo-China, it was reported tonight.

Strongly attacked from both front and rear in their drive out of Burma toward the Burma Road terminus of Kunming, the Japanese were re-

ported pouring reinforcements into the Mekong sector in an attempt to clear out the Chinese pockets at Mong Paliaw, Mong Hsi and Hong Ling which flank their communications lines.

The Chinese were

counter-attacking stubbornly at all three places, military dispatches said.

The war policy of fascism must be brought to a stop regardless of which groups of people take the initiative in the matter. It is a question of life and death for Italy, a question of liberty or slavery for the people. When such objects are at stake, it is a matter of courageously and vigorously taking measures that correspond to the salvation of the country.

Cholera, Malaria Menace Chungking

CHUNGKING, May 18 (UPI)—

Serious congestion and outbreaks of cholera, dysentery and malaria have resulted from the arrival in Kunming of 40,000 Chinese evacuees from Burma, dispatches say today.

The American Advisory Committee

here has sent \$3,000 to Kunming, Yunnan Prov-

ince capital, for emergency supplies,

food and clothing. The Chungking Government was expected to order the dispersal of evacuees to other points in interior China to avert a major epidemic.

U. S. Freighter Hit Off Dutch West Indies

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, May 18 (UPI)—A United States freighter

was torpedoed off the Dutch West Indies island of Bonaire Saturday night, the Atenea Dutch Indies News agency said today.

Of nineteen survivors of the tor-

pedded vessel landed on Bonaire,

thoroughly supports Mussolini, for it

six have been brought to Curacao.

The destroyed Japanese column had veered off the Burma Road in the Malacapu-Hung Mu Shu sector, northeast of Lunling, 40 miles inside China, and had attempted to push north to outflank the important road junction of Paoshan (Yungchang). A Chinese com-

municate Sunday said half the

column had been wiped out, and

today it was announced that the

surviving remnants had been de-

stroyed.

The Japanese were still held on

the west side of the Salween River

in Yunnan, limiting their pen-

etration to less than 70 miles. Heavy

battles were reported at Mong Kun

and Tainao, on the Salween front.

On the west side of Burma, British

Bienheim bombers, covering the

withdrawal of Imperial troops to

India, made a heavy attack last

night on Kalewa, 60 miles from the

Indian border, destroying ware-

houses on the Chindwin River and

bars and other craft moored

nearby, according to New Delhi dis-

patches. One RAF plane was lost

in the raid.

A New Delhi communiqué said

the Japanese made one of two un-

opposed landings on both banks of

the Chindwin near Kalewa but if

said British troops had evacuated

the area several days ago and that

the movement of Imperial forces

in Burma continues unhampered

by any contact with the enemy."

(The air ministry in London said

that heavy U. S. bombers based in

India were persistently raiding Japa-

nese shipping and docks and ware-

houses in Rangoon and the air-

dromes at Mingaladon, north of Ran-

goon, "harassing the Japanese in

much the same way that the RAF

is upsetting the Germans."

The new contingent came gen-

erally from the same section of the

United States as did earlier arrivals

in northern Ireland—South Dakota,

Iowa, Minnesota and other middle

western states. There were others,

however, including Sgt. Edward

Collins (637 10th Ave.) of New

York; Sgt. Charles Burns, also of

New York, who drove the first tank

from the docks, and Sgt. Bennie

Jenkins, of Opelika, Ala., who drove

the second tank.

It was an all-American show at

the debarkation point. A British

Afry major who assists in the em-

barking and debarking of troops

said it was "the finest troop move-

ment I ever saw."

He was particularly impressed by a group of

big, raw-boned Kentucky mountain

men in the convoy whose sergeants

the major said, "make you think of movie non-coms."

Most of the mountaineers are veterans of five or six

years service.

There were four snappy lieutenants

in the contingent who remained

strictly aloof. They were Helen

Aikens, of Somerville, Mass.; Betty

Eagan, of Natick, Mass.; Helen

Rocque, of Lexington, Mass., and

Katherine Hough of Concord, N. H.

They were in a contingent of nurses.

One man came down the gang-

plank on crutches. He was Sgt.

Galen Quinn of Sturgis, S. D., who said,

"they told me I could not pass up

the opportunity to come with my

buddies."

The new arrivals will give Britons

their first look at the new Ameri-

can helmets, which are almost em-

brassingly like



U. S. Air Corps in Iceland: This picture shows a Hudson Alacobra pursuit plane of the U. S. Air Corps being given the once over by a ground crew of American and British soldiers in Iceland. Taking off in the background is a Hudson bomber of the RAF Coastal Command.

Curly' Brooks, Defeatist On the Leash of Chicago Tribune

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trial that Johnson also turned over some of his constituents' letters to Prescott Dennett, Viereck's Washington representative who organized several dummy committees for the Nazi agent. These letters were used to compile master mailing lists for the Viereck groups.

That Brooks is the most important and dangerous of the defeatist Senators running for re-election seems obvious.

KU KLUX KLAN TIES

Brooks has had close ties with the Ku Klux Klan, and on Aug. 27, 1940 addressed a Klan rally at Rockford, Ill., which was attended by 50,000 persons.

One of Brooks' speeches, "Three Steps to War," made on Feb. 21, 1941, was mailed under the frank of Senator D. Worth Clark of Idaho by George Hill, Rep. Fish's secretary who acted as Viereck's Capitol Hill agent.

Senator Wheeler picked Brooks as one of the trusted appeasers he placed on the Senate Interstate Commerce Subcommittee which conducted an anti-Semitic witch-hunt against the movie industry.

As recently as March 12, the Chicago Tribune quoted a speech by Brooks which attempted to create distrust of the Soviet Union and indicated opposition to the policy of sending military aid to the Red Army.

While Brooks' speech was not particularly coherent or grammatical, his meaning in the following passage seems plain enough:

"We have decided to be the best interest of the American people to help Russia defend her own land, but she has not indicated as yet that in return for our help she would aid in any way in our battle against the Japanese. But through their communistic activities Russians have constantly indicated they would like to destroy our form of government."

MCCORMACK STOOGES

Short, stocky and curly-haired (he likes to be known as Curly), Brooks has a reputation of being quite a rabble-rouser before an audience which is sympathetic to his ideas. He has little standing in the Senate where he is thought of mainly as a rubber-stamp for the Chicago Tribune.

Brooks' association with the Chicago Tribune dates way back, almost 15 years.

In 1928, Jake Lingle, a reporter for the Tribune who had close underworld connections, was killed in a gang war. Lingle was accused of taking graft from the wrong gang.

The Tribune was anxious to have the prosecution handled the right way; it did not want to take any chances of having the Tribune

linked with the Chicago underworld during the trial.

So the Tribune hired a young lawyer called Brooks to be a special prosecutor in the case and to work along with the District Attorney. He got the conviction of a minor St. Louis gangster called Leo Brothers.

Old-time Chicago reporters who are now in Washington state that: Brothers protested his innocence to the end and that many rumors floated around to the effect that the conviction was a frame-up designed to white-wash the Tribune.

BROOKS GETS REWARD

In any event, Brooks became Col. McCormack's political favorite. The Colonel pushed him unsuccessfully for governor in 1936 and finally made him a Senator in 1940.

The chief reason given for Brooks' victory in the Republican primary in April was that he had the full, although under-cover backing, of

Gov. Dwight Green and the Republican state machine.

In the final election on Nov. 5, Brooks will have an exceptionally strong opponent in Rep. Raymond S. McKeough who has an outstanding record both on domestic and foreign policy.

McKeough has supported all steps to prosecute the war effort, while Brooks voted against the amendments to repeal the restrictive provisions of the Neutrality Act and against draft extension.

In contrast to Brooks who voted for the Byrd and Connally anti-labor amendments, McKeough has been a consistent champion of all progressive social and labor legislation.

The CIO and the AFL in Illinois as well as nationally, are united in backing McKeough in his race against Brooks. This will be one of the most important Senatorial contests in the fall elections.

Won't Permit Politics in OCD—Landis

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, May 18 (UP)—The Office of Civilian Defense "takes the danger of enemy raids seriously" and will not permit "ports barrel" politics to interfere with allocation of fire apparatus, helmets and other equipment to cities in the danger zones, OCD Director James M. Landis declared tonight.

Writing in the current issue of "Look" magazine, he reiterated that the chief considerations in the allocations will be a community's likelihood of attack, its vulnerability, and the importance of its war factories. Delivery of the equipment will begin soon, he said.

Noting "widespread public misunderstandings" of the OCD role, the director emphasized that the agency's function was chiefly advisory, and that the responsibility of carrying out the program lies with local communities.

He urged civilians everywhere to enroll with their local OCD offices to take their part in the fight on the home front.

New Defense Rules Set Up in Bermuda

HAMILTON, Bermuda, May 18 (UP)—New defense regulations made public today by the Colonial Government compel retail stores here to close between 9 P.M. and 6 A.M. The regulations do not affect establishments where food and drink are sold for consumption on the premises, and drug stores may sell medicines and other articles needed by the ailing after closing hours.

Witness Says Model Wasn't At Death Scene

(By United Press)

Madeline Webb, beautiful model-dancer accused of murder, got her first break today.

One of the three men accused with her of the murder-for-robbery of Mrs. Susan F. Reich, wealthy Polish refugee, testified Madeline was standing on a street corner with him, nervously twisting her fingers, while her lover and another man were applying the gags and trusses which led to Mrs. Reich's death in a hotel room.

The testimony of Murray Hirsh, jeweler and twice convicted thief, was the first to remove Madeline from the murder scene.

Hirsh, who was arrested as he tried to dispose of a diamond ring taken from Mrs. Reich's hand, was granted a separate trial when he turned state's witness.

Mrs. Reich was found March 4 by a startled bellboy, bound and gagged in a hotel suite rented by Madeline and Shonbrun. Previous witnesses testified Mrs. Reich came to the apartment on the telephone invitation of Madeline.

Earthquake Shocks Felt in Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela, May 18 (UP)—Earthquake shocks were felt today in eastern Venezuela.

The shocks of strongest intensity were registered at Cumana, capital of the State of Sucre. No casualties were reported.

Holders of 'B' Gas Cards May Double Up'

Henderson Rules After Inspectors Tried to Yank Cards

WASHINGTON, May 18 (UP)—Legitimate holders of "B" ration cards who save their gasoline by doubling up with other drivers or other economy measures may use such fuel "for any purpose they desire"—Sunday or pleasure driving. Price Administrator Leon Henderson ruled.

The ruling came after a number of "B-3" card holders were stopped by Office of Price Administration checkers at the approaches to the Delaware River Bridge and told to turn in their cards when they returned home.

Henderson emphasized that his decision applies to legitimate "B" card holders. He said rationing boards through the 17-state eastern rationing area would check on "X" (unlimited) and "B-2" (57 gallons for a seven-week period) cards to see if these had been issued to "chiselers" who were not entitled to them.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt took command of efforts to relieve the East Coast petroleum shortage. He conferred at length with Congressional leaders who said later that construction of pipelines and extensive use of inland waterway barges will be "looked into at once" as the quickest means of relieving the shortage.

American Day Upstate Rally Urges 2d Front

Communist Meeting in Syracuse Cheers Browder Release

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SYRACUSE, May 18.—Four hundred Syracusans, participating in a Communist Party 1-Am-American Day celebration here last night, unanimously called upon President Roosevelt to open a Western Front in Europe as the surest way to smash the Axis in 1942.

The patriotic celebration, held at the Hotel Syracuse, was the latest Communist meeting to be held here in years.

A representative audience including defense workers, small-business people and Syracuse University students, applauded vigorously when the release of Earl Browder by President Roosevelt made by speakers.

George Sheldrick, Onondaga County Chairman of the Communist Party urged labor to take the lead in calling for a Western Front. He called on Mayor Thomas Kennedy of this city to give labor a greater part in community war activity.

Sheldrick also scored housing facilities for defense workers locally, pointing out that failure to provide adequate facilities would retard war production. He also urged manufacturers to lift Jim Crow barriers against Negro workers in war plants.

U. S. Technical Mission Sought in Uruguay

MONTEVIEJO, Uruguay, May 18 (UP)—The newspaper El Diario de Hoy urged the Uruguayan Government to request the United States to send a technical mission to investigate the nation's mineral resources, particularly oil, and determine feasibility of exploitation.

Such a mission would be similar to the American groups now operating in Peru, Bolivia and Brazil.

Enough Ships on Hand, But United Fruit Bars Use of Its Fleet for U.S. War Needs

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The misleading talk has been assiduously spread around that the United Fruit is helpless to aid in the war effort for the following alleged reasons—reasons which we intend in this article to expose for all the brazen, hypocritical nature:

1. That when the government, through the War Shipping Administration (and the U. S. Maritime Commission) attempted to take over most or all of the United Fruit ships, the Caribbean banana countries lodged protests with the State Department.

2. These protests, which finally wrung the State Department's heart, were based upon the fact that cessation of the banana trade would lead to economic and financial collapse of the small republics.

There are perhaps no other countries in either hemisphere under the influence, or outright domination of a single big commercial corporation, to the extent that Honduras, Guatemala and Costa Rica are influenced by the United Fruit Company—which is the government of those small countries.

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In 1924, a "boundary conflict" resulted in bloody fighting took place between Honduras and Guatemala, and when U. S. Chief Justice Hughes handed down an award settling the dispute six years later, it was found that behind the blazing guns were the generals of the United Fruit Company and the little banana growing countries. In business—as in war—United Fruit is conducting a commendable and humanitarian business; that is even if the United Fruit wanted to use its badly needed ships over to the war effort, the State Department would not allow it.

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ALL the Seven Points Concern Labor

The action of the AFL Executive Council in protesting against the proposed reduction in personal income tax exemptions, is timely and to the point. The CIO's tax committee last week also protested against efforts of the House Ways and Means Committee to reject the tax proposals of the President's 7-point plan and shift the burden upon those least able to pay.

The millions of workers making \$20 a week or less are actually receiving substandard wages which only impair the nation's war effort. Such wages should be the last to be touched by income taxes—and only after all other sources have been used up.

But in protesting against the lowering of exemptions and against the proposals for a sales tax, the labor movement should recognize that the fight can be won only through throwing full weight behind the President's 7-point plan. With but a few notable exceptions, the labor movement has to date failed to give this program the backing it deserves and needs.

This fails to meet the attack not only of

reactionaries, but also of the defeatists and Fifth Columnists. The foes of the President's program are crafty enough not to oppose it as a whole. They attack it section by section, with the object of having to fight only one section of the population at a time.

If these hatchet men can kill the tax section of the President's program, they will then be in a better position to move against the wage stabilization section and put through wage FREEZING instead.

Labor should not permit itself, therefore, to be caught napping. While the foes of the President's program attempt to kill it piecemeal, labor and the rest of the general public should fight for the 7-point program as a whole and with the greatest determination.

The progress now being made in committee room against the President's tax plan—which called for taxes on high incomes and opposed a sales tax and the lowering of exemptions—should serve to arouse the labor movement to its obligation to view this fight in its broadest aspects and give the President's program full support.

Gandhi's Quislingism

Gandhi is evidently trying his best to become the Quisling of India. His latest remarks, reported in the press yesterday, were definitely pro-Axis. The net effect of them would be to smooth the way for Japan, which is already at India's gates, to move in and subject the people of India to a barbarism worse than they have ever known.

Gandhi demagogically points to the racial discrimination still existing in America and Britain which long ago should have been eradicated. But is Hitler the exterminator of minority peoples, the champion of Aryan "superiority," going to fix that? Will Hirohito, the assassin of the Chinese and Korean peoples, present India with freedom? Not one word of condemnation did Gandhi have for Hitler's hellish persecution of scores of minority peoples.

It is only through taking up arms besides the United Nations that the Indian people can follow the road to their complete independence. Unless the Axis wolves, already at India's doorstep, are defeated, all the gains the Indian people have made will be lost and their whole fight for independence will be set back a century. In fact, Gandhi himself

with his paralyzing policies of so-called "pacifism" has always been a brake upon the Indian people, holding them back from every course that would lead to their freedom.

Of course, Gandhi would not be speaking out at all if it were not for the undoubtedly deep ferment among the Indian masses who want to fight the Axis. Gandhi is trying to take advantage of the mass discontent over the failure of the Cripps mission and of the failure of the British government to grant such safeguards for India's independence as would mobilize the people fully in the anti-Axis war. This failure sets the stage for Gandhi to help Hitler and Hirohito in the name of fighting "race discrimination."

The paramount issue before every oppressed people desiring their independence is to see that the Axis is smashed this year. That would be a blow against the fascist forces of discrimination wherever they are. Great Britain should resume negotiations with India with a view to according it the right to independence which would cut the ground from under Gandhi's pro-Axis demagogery and humbuggery.

The Melting Pot Boils

That enormous "I Am an American" Day meeting in Central Park Mall Sunday afternoon was a tonic to the nation.

It broke all records in size—more than 1,250,000 citizens were present. They came from every class, creed and racial derivation—they were native-born and foreign-born, Negro and white. It was the American Melting Pot boiling hot to smash the Axis.

The same national unity symbolized in the audience was vividly demonstrated on the platform where the speakers included Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black, Mayor LaGuardia, the naval hero, Lieutenant John D. Bulkeley, and the great American, Joe Louis. When Louis was introduced as one "itching" to get at the Axis, he replied in words that summed up the sentiment of the gathering: "He says I'm very anxious to go. We're all very anxious to go."

There can be no doubt that the American people welcome the opportunity to get out in demonstrations and meetings, as one man, and signify their support of their national government in the war effort. They want to show that Jim-crow, anti-Semitism and bigotry have no place in the war program of a nation needing full unity against the Axis.

This should be the signal for many more gigantic meetings in which the people can publicly and unitedly manifest that they want Hitler smashed this year. Sometime ago President Roosevelt called for more patriotic demonstrations and parades to beat the Axis. Certainly, the demonstration Sunday afternoon shows that this is what the people want too. Patriotic displays of the flag and other evidences of our win-the-war unity ought to be a feature of the daily life of the people.

The Shipyard Agreement

The shipyards wage agreement just announced is welcomed by the country. It was jointly and collectively arrived at by the unions, the Government and the employers in a spirit of settling all questions to win the war.

It was arrived at without any interruption of vital war production, and without any effort to "freeze wages" or attack the unions.

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SMEAR CAMPAIGN



Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

One thing we can't understand is how papers which support the war upon the Axis will print dispatches from Vichy filled with Goebbel's propaganda. If the editors cut out the Axis propaganda from these dispatches before printing them, they would read like this:

VICHY (Suburb of Berlin), May 18, 1942—

announced that

This announcement was viewed,

as the — and the —. It can be stated that — neither nor —

It can be expected that —. In fact —

On the other hand, —

The real truth of the situation is that — or words to that effect.

Isn't it time to stop using the words "helping Russia" when what we are doing is helping save our own country? Lend-Lease to the Soviet Union might more properly be known as Lend-Lease to ourselves by Way of Russia.

And when we talk about keeping Hitler from getting to the Caucasus, we might put it: keep Hitler out of the Caucasus-Appalachian-Rockies.

When we "help" the U.S.S.R. remember what we are really helping is the first two letters in that name.

Attempts to stir up discontent over the sugar rationing are even sweeter than sugar to Hitler.

And newspapers that squawk about gasoline rationing are usually anxious that America's war drive should not hit on all cylinders.

The Unions and The War

By William Z. Foster

17. Trade Union Unity

The question of unity of action between the CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhoods is of national importance as a war necessity. It is imperative to secure the fullest and most effective mobilization of the workers in the total war effort of the nation; hence it is much more than in the immediate interest of the labor movement itself.

Since Pearl Harbor much progress has been made toward the achievement of labor unity. In a great number of localities joint actions have been developed between the AFL and CIO organizations around war issues. Also, the head officials of both federations have come into closer cooperation, as indicated by the generally common line now being followed by them in the War Labor Board and in the Victory Labor Board; by their agreement to amicably settle jurisdictional disputes; by their cooperative work in national radio broadcasts; by the joint appearance of Presidents Green and Murray on the same platform in Pittsburgh, etc.

Nevertheless the progress toward trade union unity has been somewhat slow and hesitant in high trade union official circles. This is a damper upon the great power and enthusiasm that labor would develop were joint action fully developed. In this matter the rank and file are ahead of the top leadership. This was graphically illustrated a few months ago when, with AFL and CIO city bodies holding enthusiastic get-together meetings all over the country, the executive councils of both the AFL and CIO took no action until John L. Lewis stepped in and tried to wreck the whole unity movement by his proposal to begin AFL-CIO negotiations for "organizational unity." Whereupon, with the help of President Roosevelt, there came the formation of the Victory Labor Board.

The tempo of developing labor's cooperation should be speeded up. What is needed is greater boldness and pluckiness. At all stages the AFL, CIO and Railroad Brotherhoods should link up for war work. In every locality there should be joint labor committees, as proposed by the recent CIO national conference, which could unfold a whole program of energetic war activities. The state federations and state industrial councils of the AFL and CIO, which are now generally holding their conventions, could exchange delegates and establish joint state committees for war work. Similar action might be taken by the various national unions in the given industries. In the same spirit, it would be timely for the executive councils of the AFL and CIO to exchange at least fraternal delegates; or, better yet, to hold a joint meeting; or, still better, to call a broad CIO-AFL national conference to work out labor's win-the-war program. At the coming national conventions of the two federations, too, delegates could be exchanged and some sort of a broad all-labor war committee established.

Joint labor action carried on upon such a broad and intensive scale as this would greatly increase labor's war efforts on all fronts. It would also add to labor's prestige throughout our nation. The first and hardest steps toward labor unity have already been taken; the labor movement, animated by an eager win-the-war spirit, has broken through the factional walls developed during the big split. What remains to be done is to give real expression to the powerful unity spirit prevailing throughout all sections of the labor movement.

The present trend of the AFL, CIO and Railroad Brotherhoods to cooperate together in support of the war is also the most practical path to eventual full trade union unity. It is unlikely that the trade unions will again try to achieve unity by the virtually impossible route of first settling all their jurisdictional overlapping by formal conferences, as the disruptive John L. Lewis and his new cronies, W. L. Hutchison, are now urging. Such an attempt could only end in an impasse and a deepening of the split, as it did before. Far better would it be for the two groups of unions, more or less upon an acceptance of the status quo between them, to continue to develop their present cooperative relations, leaving jurisdictional disputes to be taken care of piecemeal and with their complete settlement not to be forced as a condition for national joint labor cooperation. This course could soon lead to joint conferences or even conventions of both organizations, and the establishment of other preliminary forms of organizational trade union unity.

(Next article will appear tomorrow)

Letters From Our Readers

Browder's Release Blow to World Fascism

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The release of Earl Browder was not only an act of simple "American justice and fair play"; it is far more than that. It is a blow to world fascism and the Axis. It is a stiff right-hand uppercut to the chin of the Axis and a strong left hook to the paunch of American fascists and would-be traitors. M. C.

Keep Appeasers—On the Run

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It seems to me that Browder's release at this time is the beginning of a greater offensive against the defeatists in the country. Now for the offensive abroad—namely the opening of a second front in Europe now! We have the appeasers on the run. Let us not lose the initiative. I. P.

Sad News for Domestic Fascists

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Roosevelt's freeing of Earl Browder from prison is not only a triumph for democracy and justice; it is the greatest blow to the morale of the Axis powers which should spur their freedom-loving peoples and all under the Fascist yoke in Hitler-dominated countries to rise against him. What a bitter pill for our domestic exponents of Hitlerism to swallow. H. Z.

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

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PREFACE

BY SEYMOUR KEIDAN

You were all living pell-mell in the boundaries; now you are assembled.

Why are you assembled and armed? Why, people, are you in these boundaries standing and prepared?

Why suddenly determined?

Always a part moved, sometimes more, and sometimes less; and some times all moved, all fought; and from amongst you some came and were in loneliness picked off, and they were later examples, or yet influenced more, and more.

The few on Wake Island, Bataan, became the real mythos, the present and timely myths to recall and live, to encourage. The great American beast rises past the astonished Hamilton; the great American man rises forward to meet the great Russian; the great mankind, great all, the great free.

No leader is lost if he stems from and presents your interests; and shows you yourselves; if he can show your history. Learn. No lost leader teaches.

Tomorrow is no fence, it is all gates, all unlatched, all opened; tomorrow is the smile of a tired Stevens, tomorrow the talk of a Phillips, tomorrow is the used energy of colonials and immigrants fighting for the Union.

As you are assembled, in Fall or Spring armed and ready, and when you have already gone forward and met the enemy, remember you are tomorrow's yesterday, destroying death's crooked wings, you are life's human insurance.

Already the whole world is becoming real already the whole world already the whole world is becoming already already already you are registered, marked, ear-signified, recorded.

Young soldiers sent throughout the world, meet your fellows in all the once unreal places, the ones ignored, the unfamiliar; you shall be the reporters returning home with the news of fellows.

CBS Opens Pan-American Network, WABC, 9:30 pm

Women's National Radio Committees Luncheon, WEAF, WQXR, 1:15 P.M., WJZ, 2:15 P.M.—Fred Kesting opens series, WMCA, 8 P.M.—FSA Director, Paul V. McNutt on value of Nutrition in War-time, WMCA, 9 P.M.—CBS Opens Pan-American network, WABC, 8:30 P.M.—Volunteer Youth Land-Bastion dinner, WJZ, 9:30 P.M.—DAILY WORKER NEWSCAST, GUEST SPEAKER, WHOM, 9:45 P.M.

MORNING
8:45-WABC—Worship, Part of the Air
8:45-WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WQXR—Composers Hour
WJZ—Woman of Tomorrow
WMCA—Program for Women
9:15-WABC—Reading of the Beatrice
Letter
WHN—Food Forum
10:30-WABC—Travel Hour
WQXR—Food Hour
WQXR—Column of the Air,
Liza Sergio
10:30-WABC—Woman of the Year
11:15-WABC—Other People's Business
11:15-WABC—Health Forum
WOR—Beauty Talk for
WNYC—Page of Midday
11:45-WNYC—Talks for Your Health
AFTERNOON
12:00-WABC—News at Noon
WABC—Music and Work
WABC—Kate Smith Speaks
WQXR—Luncheon Concert
12:30-WJZ—National Farm and Home
WOR—News
1:00-WABC—Many Margaret McBride
Talks for Women
WABC—Ladies' Symphony
1:30-WNYC—Defense Program
1:30-WNYC—Town Hall Club Luncheon
1:30-WABC—Women's National Radio
Committee Luncheon
WABC—Vic and Sada
1:45-WABC—Metropolitan Review,
Ralph Barton
3:00-WABC—Martha Dean Talks for
Women
WQXR—Concert Favorites
2:00-WABC—Music and Matinee
2:15-WABC—Woman's National Radio
Committee Luncheon
3:30-WABC—Reader and Writers,
John Stever
2:45-WABC—Warmer Times
3:00-WABC—Preston Presents
WQXR—Your Record Program
3:30-WABC—Farewell Song Special
WABC—News and Stories of Men
of the Sea
3:45-WABC—Civilian Defense News
4:00-WABC—Midafternoon Concert
WJZ—Time of Your Life

Brazilian Star



Metropolitan star Bidu Sayão, Brazilian lyric soprano is one of the stars heard in a special full-hour program tonight when CBS dedicates its new Network of the Americas 76-station chain below the Rio Grande.

Wallace Helps Dedicate New S. A. Network

Vice President Henry A. Wallace is the principal speaker at a dinner to the diplomatic corps of Latin America in the United States in Washington, celebrating dedication of the Columbia Broadcasting System's Network of the Americas. The vice president speaks in Spanish.

Other speakers are Senor Dr. Don Luis Quintanilla, minister plenipotentiary and counsellor of the Mexican embassy, Senor Dr. Don Adrian Recinos, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Guatemala, President Juan Antonio Rios, of Chile, and Alfredo Baldomir, president of Uruguay. The two latter speakers are heard from their presidential palaces.

These speeches are to be transmitted by the CBS three international transmitters to the 76 stations in the new network below the Rio Grande from 10:30 to 11:00 PM, EWT.

This special international broadcast follows the one-hour dedicatory program.

On the earlier program preceding the banquet broadcast, Sumner Welles, Undersecretary of State, and President Anastasio Somoza of Nicaragua, head the list of government spokesmen.

The entertainment portions include Metropolitan opera stars Lauritz Melchior, Bidu Sayão and Robert Weede, Ronald Colman, Jim Falkenberg, Rita Hayworth, Dick Powell, Mary Martin, Edward G. Robinson, Melvyn Douglas, Juan Arvizu, Olga Coelho, Eva Gabor, El Charrua Gil trio, Howard Barlow, directing the Columbia Broadcasting Symphony, and the Orquesta Pan-americana, CBS with Alfredo Antonini conducting.

Los Angeles, May 18.—"Open up, open up a second front For the Joe it's the cure they will advise Can you see Schickelgruber, little runt Scurry back to the hole where men are mice."

Thus goes the chorus of a song that is as timely as tomorrow's headlines, "Open Up a Second Front," written by Maurice Limonick, talented young Russian-born pianist-composer living in Los Angeles.

Joe Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, has promised to bring it to the attention of the national CIO office.

"Trusting that it may prove useful for some radio program of the CIO."

And young Limonick is seeking to get an audition for the catchy little march song from radio programs and organizations locally.

Did Words, Music In Two Days

"This second front solution to the problem of beating Hitler was so close to my heart," Limonick, who was born in Odessa, claims, "that I dashed off both words and music in a couple of days."

"It seems obvious that the opening of a second front would be the means of bringing the war to a rapid and victorious conclusion, thereby saving millions of human lives."

Coming from a musical family, Limonick's brother and one of his nephews play in the Los Angeles Philharmonic orchestra; the other nephew is a bass player at Camp Roberts. Both boys toured South America with Leopold Stokowski's youth symphony orchestra.

"Second Front" isn't the only popular work of social meaning that Limonick has composed. It has a predecessor called "Song of Victory," which has been performed by the Los Angeles County band at Victory House celebrations to spur war bond sales in Pershing Square.

Limonick wrote two versions of "Song of Victory," one dedicated to British-Soviet-Chinese arms before America's entrance into the war, one after that latter event.

Develops As Song Writer

A comparison of the two versions of "Victory Song" shows Limonick's growth as a writer of popular fighting songs of the people. The language of the first version is high-flown, though dignified, starting with the words, "These are times that try the souls of men."

This tendency was pointed out to Limonick by R. Shapiro, national educational director of the IWO, who showed the song to the American People's Chorus.

While pointing out that "the piece is well-made musically," Shapiro wrote that "the music and

Alexis Smith soaks up the California sun between "shooting" for "Constant Nymph," her next film in which Charles Boyer and Jean Fontaine are starred.

New View of Northern Neighbors

CANADA MOVES NORTH, by Richard Fennie. The Macmillan Company, New York, 227 pages, \$3.50.

By John Pittman

Thanks to Dr. Dafee and the Dionne Quintuplets, Americans of the United States are already aware of the fact that in the great dominion north of them lives a sizable population of fellow Americans. However, it would appear that the converse of the old axiom—"Distance lends enchantment!"—is true, for rare is that citizen of the United States who has more than a hear-say acquaintance with his neighbors.

Yet, 12,000,000 of them are distributed between the Atlantic and Pacific in a space of about 3,000 miles of extremely variegated terrain. "Only one-third of the Dominion—a strip along the United States border—is thickly populated," writes Fennie. "Another third—the northern area of British Columbia, the Prairie Provinces, Ontario, and Quebec—is thinly populated. The rest of the Dominion—the one million three hundred square miles extending from the 60th parallel of latitude to the pole—is relatively vacant."

Blasts Myths About Country

And this is the third author Fennie sets out to do for us, in support of his thesis that here is the new frontier, the new destiny of Canada. At the outset, he has to debunk the innumerable myths

about the country, climate and native people. And here his experience as a newspaper reporter, as a disciple of the great Arctic explorer and investigator, Dr. Vilhjalmur Stefansson, and as an amateur anthropologist serve him well.

It is Fennie's observations of the people and their civilization which most intrigues this reviewer, though there are interesting facts that also appeal to geographers, explorers, historians, and even military strategists. But it must come as something of a shock to many people who like this reviewer, had been colossally ignorant about the Canadian population, to learn that there are probably no more than 80,000 Eskimos in the entire Dominion.

Asks Government Aid for People

"The human inhabitants of the Territories comprise Indians, Eskimos and whites," the author says. "The Indians, all of Athapaskan stock but split into a half dozen tribes, are concentrated in the Mackenzie Basin, within the tree limit numbering four thousand. The Eskimos, a littoral people with the exception of a small island group, are spread out along the coast from west of the Mackenzie Delta to Hudson Bay and on some of the Arctic Islands, numbering five thousand. There are approximately two thousand whites . . ."

And this is the third author Fennie sets out to do for us, in support of his thesis that here is the new frontier, the new destiny of Canada. At the outset, he has to debunk the innumerable myths

about the country, climate and native people. And here his experience as a newspaper reporter, as a disciple of the great Arctic explorer and investigator, Dr. Vilhjalmur Stefansson, and as an amateur anthropologist serve him well.

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DESPERATE JOURNEY



Memo by EMCEE

The Defense Savings Staff's 10% quota campaign is being heard round the world. Abe Schreter of NBC cabled his foreign correspondents to use Treasury spot announcements in their news reports from abroad. First response was from Robert Magidoff, NBC's correspondent in the USSR: "Invest 10% salary in War Bonds" it said.

Harold J. Rome has written a popular lyrical adaptation of Prokofiev's "Tale of Peter and the Wolf." A Tin Pan Alley firm has made a swing arrangement of it and it has already been recorded and featured by Shep Fields and Guy Lombardo: "Swing It, Soviets! . . .

Factory workers become film stars when the U. S. Treasury shoots a film short at International Harvester's Chicago plant. The picture will push for labor's contributing 10% of salary in war bonds. Luise Rainer and Dorothy Lamour are neck and neck in the race for nation's No. 1 bond salesman. Each has hit over \$4,000,000 in one-day sales efforts.

Soviet writer Benjamin Kaverin, whose "Two Capitals" was published here recently by Modern Age, has been newspapering on the Leningrad front, writing war stories and a play at the same time and finishing vol. 2 of his novel in between.

A new source for pugs is Uncle Sam himself. The OEM has sprung a comedy department to supply jokes to newspapers, magazines, columnists, comic strips and radio. They're intended to clarify government restrictions and regulations. Keep 'em laughing over priorities!

Note to Richard Wright: What could be more popular today than a biography of Joe Louis, America's greatest athlete and the finest symbol of his people's devotion to the cause of freedom?

Michael Loring has broken up his band. He's getting ready to join the Navy. That bond-sale premiere of Warner's "Yankee Doodle Dandy" at the Hollywood May 29 will gross more than a whole year's run. Potential is \$35,747,000 with seats scaling from \$25 up to \$25,000. Several celebrities have already bought the top-priced bonds for those seats of honor.

You amateur movie-makers can help the War Dept. by sending their Special Service Branch descriptions of your films. The Army wants to know what films are available on scientific, political, military, scenic, educational or any allied subjects. They may be able to use them in Army educational projects.

Something new in radio are the documentary air programs the Library of Congress is experimenting with. Philip Cohen and Alan Lomax have been guiding field workers around the country, "listening in" via recordings to the people's talk about themselves and the war. Over 100 stations have asked for the series of six 15-minute broadcasts to be called "This Is History."

England Spreads USSR Films Everywhere

Among Russian films which have been or are being dubbed for English, are: "In the Rear of the Enemy," "One Day in Soviet Russia" and "Defense of Moscow" because these subjects have been presented with English commentaries.

Despite the new public demand for Soviet film subjects, Mr. Napoli admitted, "the showing of Russian dialogue films with English superimposed titles has been relatively limited to 'specialized' first run theaters and neighborhood houses."

This difficulty is being gradually overcome in England where until recently a similar situation existed. Now, with the official encouragement of the British Ministry of Information, English dubbed versions of Russian feature films are widely distributed in that country."

Film Air Cadets

The army gets star billing in Columbia's new aviation drama, "He's My Old Man," featuring O'Brien, with Glenn Ford and Evelyn Keyes.

Now working under the direction of Sidney Salter in this B. P. Schulberg production are Frank Puglia, Edward Pauly, Marcel Dalio, Gregory Gaye, Trevor Huddleston, Clancy Cooper, John Gallaher, Minch Watson and Jonathan Hale.

David Hempstead will produce the picture, which will start in mid-August.

Careful, Soft Shoulders

Virginia Bruce and James Ellison have been cast in the starring roles in Twentieth Century-Fox's "Stand By to Die," topical story by Horace McCoy of a woman flier (intended to be Amelia Earhart) working for the United States Government in Japanese-held islands of the Pacific.

The first Soviet film being considered now for re-make is "Girl from Leningrad." Mr. Napoli stated that footage is now being assembled in New York for the preparation of an historical film on Russia, tentatively titled, "Battle for Russia." Arrangements are being made to edit and complete this film in Hollywood.

Mr. Napoli has brought to Hollywood prints of "In the Rear of the Enemy," "Guerrilla Brigade," and "Our Russian Allies." The most complete film to date of the Russo-Nazi War, "Rout of the Nazis Before Moscow," is also on the way.

New Films Ready For Showing Here

Other new films being prepared for American release by Artkino are "Red Tanks" and "War With the Nazis"—compilation of dramatic sketches based on actual incidents of the current war.

First vehicle for O'Brien will be "Pay to Learn," screen adaption of the only story ever to be published twice by the Saturday Evening Post, and scheduled for production this summer by ILM Auster.

Screen adaption now in preparation by John Twiss is of "The Dean of Canterbury," which William LeBaron will produce in technicolor.

MOTION PICTURES

"One of the most exciting films of the season,"—David Pratt, Daily Worker.

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IN ALABAMA'S ARMS



Mary Ann Mercer, singing star of NBC's "Uncle Walter's Pig House" and "Huddle Girl" of the Cavalry of Fort Miles, Texas, may have left her heart deep down in Texas but while visiting Maxwell Field the other day the flyers there certainly put her deep in the arms of Alabama.

Soviet Films Increase In Popularity Here

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—The new interest with which Hollywood eyes Soviet pictures, and the nation-wide increased popularity of films from our Russian ally is the reason why Nicholas Napoli, president of Artkino Pictures, sole agents for Soviet films in the United States, has just arrived in the film capital from New York. While here, he will establish an office in Hollywood and discuss production plans with producers and major companies who are interested in re-make rights, Soviet film stories and material.

Since the Nazi attack, Russian films have enjoyed greater popularity and distribution than any other foreign films at any time in the United States. Russian films are being booked throughout the country in independent and major theater chains like RKO, Warner Brothers, Paramount and Skouras.

Old Fighter



Dodgers Rip Cubs 4-1 With Allen for 7 in Row

Rampaging Leaders Continue Great Play as Reese Stars at Bat, Afield and on Bases at Ebbets Field

Rolling along like a runaway train, the Dodgers trimmed the Cubs again at Ebbets Field yesterday for their seventh straight win, 4-1, and have caused the seven other managers in the league to tear their hair in anguish.

The Dodgers continued to get phenomenal pitching from the most unexpected sources as Johnny Allen shut out the Cubs till the ninth inning and gave up only five hits. He lost a shutout when Clyde McCullough rapped a homer in the ninth with the bases empty.

Star of the game, and giving vivid proof of his supremacy over the shortstops of the league, Pee Wee Reese had the crowd roaring with an amazing exhibition of fielding and base running.

In the sixth inning, with the Dodgers ahead 2-0, Pee Wee made the play of the year. Charley Gilbert was on second with one gone. Dalleandro hit a fly to center, which looked like a sure hit. Reiser came running in for it and then just as it seemed that it would drop safely Reese, running all the way, took the ball over his shoulder, wheeled and threw to Herman at second doubling Gilbert.

In the Dodger's half of the inning Owen singled and then Pee Wee doubled to score Mickey. While Dalleandro was winding up Reese started down for third, Mooty turned, threw to second whereupon Reese kept going straight for home to score standing up.

100 PER CENT
Every member of the starting line-up of the Collins College 1942 football squad has been in the Marines. They will report to the Marines after graduation. Under the procurement plan they will become eligible for commissions.

FAREWELL TO RIGNEY

Johnny Rigney, White Sox hurler bid a brilliant farewell to baseball for the duration when he pitched a three-hitter against the Senators Sunday in the nightcap of a double-header. As Johnny walked off the mound at the game's end he got a standing ovation from the 16,546 fans in Comiskey Park.

Rigney enlisted in the Navy yesterday afternoon with all of his teammates at the train to see him off.

DOLF O. K.

Dolf Camilli will be back in action within a few days. Dolf was hit in the ankle by a vicious line-drive from the bat of Phil Cavaretta in the second game of Sunday's double bill.

X-Rays revealed no break or fractures.

REUNION

The Yanks had a hearty reunion with two ex-teammates yesterday in St. Louis. Johnny Sturm and Joe Gallagher, stationed at Jefferson Barracks, were clubhouse guests of the world champions.

Johnny incidentally is recovering rapidly from the accident he had a month ago when he lost the index finger of his right hand.

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PROGRAM
Philharmonic Folk Chorus of 250 Singers
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"Ballad for Americans" Earl Robinson
(In English)

with Paul Robeson

II.
"ALEXANDER
NEVSKY"
In Russian
by Serge Prokofieff

III.
"JUDAS
MACCABEUS"
In Yiddish
by Handel
with a famous Opera Quartet

Doors will open at 6:00 P.M.
Program begins at 7:30 sharp

Army Relief Game Switched To Daytime

The Giants announced yesterday that due to the new lighting regulations the scheduled night game of Friday with the Dodgers for Army Relief would begin at 3 P.M. as usual. All those with tickets can use them just the same, or turn them in if unable to make the daytime game.

SCORES

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York at St. Louis, postponed.

INDIANS THE IDLE YANKS
Philadelphia ... 020 010 020-4 9 30 .531
Cleveland 102 100 005-7 9 1
Besse, Gallegliu (4), and Hayes; Dean, Hoving (9), and Denning.

Washington ... 201 001 100-5 9 0
Chicago 020 030 000-7 9 0
Cathey, Zuber (8) and Early; Grove and Tresh.

Boston 005 002 000-4 11 0
Detroit 100 001 000-7 9 1
Wagner and Peacock; White, Fuchs (8), and Tebeatis.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Chicago 000 000 100-5 1 1
Brooklyn ... 100 102 000-4 9 1
Mooty, Bithorn (7), and MacCullough; Allen and Owen.

St. Louis ... 150 130 022-16 15 1
New York ... 301 000 100-4 8 3
Warneke, Lanier (3), and W. Cooper; Koslo, Feldman (2), Adams (4), and Berres.

Cincinnati at Boston, postponed.

Major League Leaders

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Player and Club AB R H E Pct.
Lamane, Cincinnati ... 18 87 9 30 .531
Fernandes, Boston ... 22 127 18 43 .531
Reiser, Brooklyn ... 32 114 35 37 .525
Dale, Brooklyn ... 28 100 31 31 .513
Slaughter, St. Louis ... 28 99 17 31 .513

Spano, Washington ... 20 87 21 50 .410
Dover, Brooklyn ... 26 83 23 40 .400
Gordon, New York ... 26 90 31 32 .584
Dickey, New York ... 26 80 30 30 .575
Fleming, Cleveland ... 30 113 31 39 .545

HAND. He waived an opportunity to be released from the Army, choosing to remain for the big job of smashing Hitler.

SALUD!

OTTERS POPULAR

If nothing more results from the switch of Giant managers than increased popularity for the Polo Grounders, then it was well worth it.

Bill Terry was the most hated man in big league baseball. Mel Ott is one of the most popular and the fans are starting to show that by the way they are making the turnstiles click.

Sunday's crowd of 50,000 was the largest of the year for the National League and gave the Giants a total attendance far greater than they had last season at this time.

They are second only to the Dodgers in drawing power, the Dodgers having by far the greatest gate appeal."

BUSY DAY

Tony Jell of Twin Falls, Idaho, pitched one of the Pioneer League's rare no-hit games to win from Pocatello, 4-2.

But that was only a small part of his day's work. He also fanned 11, walked seven, unleased a wild pitch, it three batters once each and slipped a fourth batter twice.

P. S. HE IS NOT A LEFT-HANDER.

THE LOW DOWN

NAT LOW

The 'Experts' Go Wrong Again Dodgers Win Easy; Not So Yanks

That's the way baseball is. In the spring when the "experts" were picking the pennant winners the absolute unanimous choice in the American League was the New York Yankees.

Not another team shaped up as even being able to give the superb Yanks a fight for any length of time. The Red Sox, Tigers were figured to battle it out for the second spot, while the Indians, with baseball's greatest pitcher, Bobby Feller, in the Navy, and a 24-year-old for manager seemed destined for the top of the second division.

In the National League the overwhelming choice for the flag was the St. Louis Cardinals. Behind them the experts planned to have the Brooklyn Dodgers.

But it seems the ball players don't read the papers, that is, the OTHER papers. Brooklyn is off winging to the greatest start any team has had in the last 15 years of National League baseball. And the Cardinals, press clippings and all, are stumbling around the .500 mark, jockeying between fourth and fifth place.

And over in the American League the Cleveland Indians, by virtue of their win over the A's yesterday, were in a first place tie with the Yankees who have been quite a problem for Joe McCarthy.

It seems the Bombers have not been bombing, although they have been getting phenomenal pitching from Ernie Bonham, Red Ruffing, Spud Chandler and others.

Outside of Bill Dickey who has been enjoying a rejuvenation, and the peerless Joe Gordon, the rest of the Yanks have not been able to round into their usual blistering form at the platter.

Meanwhile, the Indians under the pep-play of Lou Boudreau have been playing consistent, solid, efficient baseball and have given proof more than once that they are not the traditional Cleveland team which is going to fold up the moment the going gets tough.

The Indians have been getting fine pitching from Jim Bagby who has won six and lost one, and Joe Hoving, who has won three without a loss. Dean has surprised with two wins and no losses.

Their infield is perhaps the best in the league with Keltner, Boudreau Mack and the rookie Les Fleming. Boudreau admits that they occasionally miss the powerful bat of Hal Trostky, but Fleming has been no mean replacement. Les is up around the leaders with a neat .333 and 17 runs batted in. Which is about as good as Trostky could hope to do. But the differential here is homers. Trostky averaged about 30 roundtrippers a season. To date Fleming has only three and will most probably be satisfied with a total of 12 for the season.

But besides the Indians to worry about, the Yankees are in third place only 2½ games behind the leaders.

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But of course, the Yanks will repeat. Don't worry even a little bit that score.

And when they finally do it will not be too happy about it all. They are going to be beaten by the Dodgers in the world series this fall. Yes we said beaten. Wait and see.

Three of Europe's greatest soccer stars who all played on the famous anti-fascist Barcelona team in Spain are coming here with the Mexican champion Atlante team which will open its United States tour at the Tribune Stadiu m, Randall's Island, next Sunday against an all-star eleven picked from the four Metropolitan professional clubs of the American League—Americans, Brookhattan, Hispano and St. Mary's Celidic.

Fernando Garcia, center halfback; Martin Ventola, outside right, and Leonardo Munich, outside left, are the outstanding trio who all played on the Spanish international team many times in Europe and also several Central and South American countries.

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The next season and he hit .276. However, he did bang 21 homers and send home 106 runs.

Otto took him on a conditional basis this year and was so well satisfied that he completed the deal a couple of weeks before the deadline. The Giants still figure that with all his natural ability, even though the Army may take him, Marshall is young enough to resume a long career when the war is over.

"I sure do enjoy playing ball for the Giants and Mr. Ott," Marshall said, his speech loaded with a southern accent as heavy as the wallop he carries to the plate. "but I can't see any reason why I shouldn't be in the army right quick."

Strangely enough, Marshall seems to be the same modest, self-effacing type that in time made Ott so tremendously popular all through baseball.

"It's funny," Ott chuckled. "Every day we meet at the clubhouse, and I try to tell him that I'm still called Mel or Ott by the rest of the fellows but all I get from him is 'yes, Mr. Ott.'"

Marshall's penchant for letting his bat do all his talking has not put him up in front of both leagues in slugging or batting percentages but it has demonstrated his all-around value to the Giants. In 30 games up to today, he had gone to the plate 120 times and connected for 32 hits for an average of .267. He has scored 15 runs and driven in 29 with hits to all fields that have included three doubles and six homers.

His latest spurge and his most sensational to date came last Friday when he belted two homers and a brace of singles to score two runs and drive across six as the Giants routed the Reds for the second consecutive day.

Marshall is six feet tall, weighs 180 pounds and has blue eyes and curly brown hair. Born in Richmond, he attended Wake Forest College for two years and then switched to playing semi-pro ball. Spotted by a scout, he broke in with Atlanta in 1940 and poked the ball for an average of .314 while hitting 14 home runs and driving in 118 runs.

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